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Agenda Item 3.1

Memorandum

Date: August 25, 2009
To: Plans and Programs Committee
From: ACTAC
Subject: Alameda Countywide Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan Updates

Action

Attached for the Committee's review is an update on the schedule, budget and process for updating the Countywide Bicycle and Pedestrian Plans. ACCMA and ACTIA will coordinate the updates of the Countywide Plans, with ACCMA being the lead on the Bicycle Plan Update, and ACTIA being the lead on the Pedestrian Plan Update. At its September meeting, ACTAC provided input on the Bicycle and Pedestrian Plans Working Group, which will be an advisory group for both Plans. The Plans are expected to be complete spring 2011.

Next Steps

The Request for Proposal (RFP) for the Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan updates will be released in December 2009.

Discussion:

Background

The Alameda County CMA and ACTIA Boards approved the Countywide Bicycle and Pedestrian Plans in 2006. These plans have been used to guide the bicycle/pedestrian grant programming and ACTIA bicycle/pedestrian efforts. The two agencies have started the process of updating both plans, with the goal of an early 2011 adoption, so that they can be coordinated with the updates of the Countywide and Regional Transportation Plans, which are anticipated to be adopted by 2012 and 2013, respectively.

The ACCMA received a \$130,000 bicycle/pedestrian grant from ACTIA this April, which, combined with \$35,000 in matching funds, will be used to update the Countywide Bicycle Plan. The funding needed for the Pedestrian Plan update is still unknown. Once the Pedestrian Plan update scope is developed and merged with the Bicycle Plan scope, a budget for the Pedestrian Plan update will be determined. The ACTIA Board will consider authorizing funding for the Pedestrian Plan update at its December meeting. The ACCMA Board

funding for the Pedestrian Plan update at its December meeting. The ACCMA Board approved the funding and contracting process for the Countywide Bicycle Plan update at its June 25, 2009 meeting.

Coordination of Agencies

ACTIA and ACCMA staff have begun coordinating on the approach and scope of work for the updates. In the past, ACTIA was the lead for the Pedestrian Plan, and the CMA was the lead for the Bicycle Plan. These roles will continue, but staff would like to coordinate the plan updates much more closely this time. Staff intend to create one Request for Proposals and hire one consultant team to ensure the close coordination of the plans content, strategies, priorities, and agency input, and to make the most of limited resources. Two separate plans would still be created, to be adopted by both agencies.

ACTIA and ACCMA staff have begun to develop the scopes of work for the two plans and to create one joint scope of work. Staff has already gathered input on elements to include in the scope of work from ACTIA's Pedestrian Bicycle Working Group (PBWG) and will bring a draft scope to ACTIA's Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC) meeting in September 2009. ACTAC will have an opportunity to provide input on the draft scope at its October meeting.

Schedule

Staff have developed the below draft timeline for the plan updates process.

Task Description	Meeting	Proposed Schedule
Input on Plan Updates	PBWG	07/29/09
Bike/Ped Plan strategy update and appointment of Working Group members	CMA's ACTAC	09/01/09
Input on draft scope of work	ACTIA BPAC	09/17/09
Input of Draft Scope of Work	ACTAC	10/6/09
Update on Plans Kickoff	Bicycle and Pedestrian Plans Working Group	October 2009
Approve release of RFP and Ped Plan funding amount	ACTIA Board	12/03/09
Release joint Bike/Ped Plans Update RFP	-	December 2009
Consultant Approved	ACTIA Board	February 2010
Consultant Start Date	-	April 2010
Draft Plans Completed	-	January 2011
Final Plans Adopted	ACTIA & CMA Boards	March 2011

Public and Agency Input and Working Group Membership

As during the development of the 2006 Plans, public and agency input will be gathered in the

creation of the 2011 Plan Updates. The final approach for gathering input is still being developed, but the input process is already underway. At the September meeting, ACTAC provided input on a proposal to form a joint Bicycle and Pedestrian Plans Working Group. The Working Group will be jointly chaired by both ACCMA and ACTIA. It will include agency, non-profit and advocacy members representing both bicycling and walking interests including representatives from ACTAC, East Bay Regional Park District, ABAG/Bay Trail, East Bay Bicycle Coalition, TransForm and California Walks. A complete list of proposed Working Group member agencies/groups and other invitees is attached.

A joint Working Group will allow efficiencies for both members and the consultant, as the agendas will be timed to separately discuss bicycle only, pedestrian only, and overlapping topics. The group will provide input as the Plans are developed, and will make their recommendations to both the ACTAC and ACTIA BPAC. Other interested parties will be invited to attend these meetings.

Public outreach will also be conducted, perhaps through ACTIA's Transportation Forums. The ACTAC and ACTIA BPAC will also regularly review and provide input on the development of the Plans prior to Board approval.

Representation on TAC/Working Group for Bike and Pedestrian Plan Updates

Area/Group Represented	2006			2011 Updates - Proposed Joint Bicycle and Pedestrian Plans Working Group	
	Ped Plan Working Group Members	Bike Plan Update TAC Members	Bike Plan Update TAC Invitees	Members	Invitees
North County (Planning Area 1)	x			x	
Central County (Planning Area 2)	x			x	
South County (Planning Area 3)	x			x	
East County (Planning Area 4)	x			x	
Local Jurisdictions (15 total)		x			x
UC Berkeley					x
AC Transit	x	x		x	
ACE					x
Amtrak/Capitol Corridor					x
BART	x	x		x	
Livermore Amador Valley Transit Authority		x		x	
Union City Transit		x			x
WETA - Ferry					x
ACCMA	x	x		x	
ACTIA	x	x		x	
Alameda County Public Health	x			x	
Bay Area Air Quality Management District			x		x
Bay Trail/ABAG	x		x	x	
Caltrans	x	x		x	
East Bay Regional Park District	x		x	x	
Metropolitan Transportation Commission	x		x	x	
Port of Oakland		x		x	
Albany Strollers & Rollers					x
Bay Area Walkable Communities Collaborative (existing in 2009?)	x				x
Bicycle Friendly Berkeley Coalition			x		x
BikeAlameda					x
California Walks	x			x	
Cycles of Change					x
East Bay Asian Youth Center			x		x
East Bay Bicycle Coalition			x	x	
Pedestrian Friendly Alameda					x
TransForm				x	
United Seniors of Oakland and Alameda County	x				x
Urban Ecology	x				x
Walk and Roll Berkeley					x
Walk Oakland Bike Oakland					x
ACTAC					x
Active Transportation Steering Committee					x
ACTIA BPAC					x
BART Bicycle Advisory Task Force					x
Board of Supervisors Staff					x
Climate Action Transportation Group					x
Pedestrian Bicycle Working Group					x
Paratransit Advisory Committee (PAPCO)				x	
Local BPACs					x
				19 total	